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We passed the twinkling lights of towns, The lonely gleams of country fires, And o'er the black and silent downs We sped as fast as wild desires.

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The purple on the mountain's crest;
The trembling star hung poised on high
To light the glory in the West.

The sweet young moon, pale yet and mild, Shone o'er the solitary plain, Whence, like a child that sleeping smiled, A sweeter moon shone back again.

And by that glimmer bright and fair, Nestled among the clustering trees, I knew an unseen lake slept there, Lost in a silent dream of peace-

Ah! thus, sweetheart, within thine eyes— Than evening air more soft and clear— I watch a tenderer light arise, And know that love itself is near. 'Tis hid beneath the veil of night.
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when it comes to be considered that at first he only headed a body of men ensking the time the coll thought of the tomb is the first he only headed a body of men ensking in the time that military discipline or operations, somewhat ungovered best could not be test could only be styled an alert aud good militia, which time she medium above mentioned, and that while at the hotel her identity was discovered by a person who had often seen her in Washington. She desired to have her visit to Boston unknown, but the interview with the medium were of a most satisfactory and conclusive nature, as affording tests of the real presence of the spirit of her hundred and fifty miles from Boston They are supposed to have migrated to have hereafted and fifty miles from Boston They are supposed to have migrated to have hereafted and fifty miles from Boston They are supposed to

Tricks of the Trade.

The following amusing story is told in

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self and mother—a lady of nearly sixty who occupied a room, No. 45, adjoining that of her daughter.

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beg pardon, Miss; it's a mere clerical error. This is 44; the drinks should have been charged to 45—the next door, you see—a room occupied by an old fellow who drinks like a fish."

A Lean Year Story.

"Permit me to introduce you to the old fellow," replied Miss —, pashing open the door standing ajar, and revealing to his confounded gaze one of the gentlest and saintliest looking old ladies

An Original Description of General Washington by a Cotemporary. At a regular meeting of New York County Council Union League of Amer-ica last Thursday night, James A. Lucas in the chair, after the ordinary business Mr. F. J. Ottarson spoke as follows: Mr. President—I cannot offer a more

Mr. President—I cannot ofter a more fitting or interesting preface to resolutions of respect for the memory of the "man who was left childless that his country might call him father" than the following interesting description of the person and character of General Washington, written by an American in 1779, just in the darkest period of the Revolujust in the darkest period of the Revolu-tionary struggle. This description was published in a Lendon paper of the year named, and, so far as I know, has never been published in this country until to-day. The description is as follows:

color; his countenance sensible, com-posed and thoughtful. There is a re-markable air of dignity about him, with a striking degree of gracefulness. He has an excellent understanding, without much quickness; is strictly just, vigilant and generous; an affectionate husband, a faithful friend, a father to the deserving soldier, a gentleman in his manners; in temper rather reserved, and a total stranger to Mr. Joe Patty, of Morristown, who is rather reserved, and a total stranger to religious prejudices, which have so often excited Christians of one denomination to cut the throats of those of another. In his morals he is irreproachable, and he was never known to exceed the bounds of the most rigid temperance. In a word, all his friends and acquaintances allow that no man can center in his own person a more perfect alliance of the vir-

person a more perfect alliance of the virtues of a philosopher with the talents of
a general. Candor, sincerity, affability
and simplicity seem to be the striking
features of his character, till an occasion
offers of displaying the most determined
bravery and independence of spirit. As
he always refused to accept of any pecuniary appointment (?) for his public
services, no salary has been annexed by
Congress to his important command, and
he only draws weekly for the expenses
of his public table and other necessary
demands. General Washington having
never been in Europe, could not posnever been in Europe, could not pos-sibly have seen much military service when the armies of Britain were sent to subdue us; yet still, for a variety of rea-The following is said to be one of the most brilliant articles ever written by the lamented George D. Prentice:

But the fiat of nature is inexorable. There is no appeal for relief from the great law which dooms us to dust. We flourish and fade as the leaves of the forest, and the flowers that kloom and wither in a day have no frailer hope upon life than the mightiest monarch that ever shook the earth with his footsteps.

Generations of men will appear and disappear as the grass, and the multitude that throng the world to-day will disappear as the footsteps on the shore.

Men seldom think of the great event of death until the shadow falls across their own path, hiding from their own eyes the traces of loved ones whose living smile was the sunlight of their existence. Death is the antagenist of life, and the cold thought of the tomb is the

The Earth Rising at the Poles. If a writer in the English periodical Nature, is correct in his views, the oper the New York correspondence of the Polar sea, unless discovered soon, will exist no more. Land is said to be rising hotel keepers in this country upon those of their patrons who, it is supposed will endure anything. Not long ago, a young lady who had come here from New England, with her mother, with a viow of taking lessons in music, went to one of the up-town houses to stay for a week or two, until she could board in a private family. The morning that she was to leave she sent for the bill for herself and mother—a lady of nearly sixty who occupied a coom, No. 45, adjoining that of her daughter.

Miss — was amazed to find that her

A Leap Year Story. It has long been the custom among the young men that attend the West-brook (Me.) Seminary to secure the ser-vices of some good musician for Satur-

he had ever beheld. The clerk said day evening sociables, and to pay him nothing, dashed down the stairs and in a minute a receipted bill was once more returned with the "sundries" omitted. though his charges are moderate, the has done the fidding for this term, and, though his charges are moderate, the continual draw upon the slender purses of the boys at last so drained them that they could not afford to pay him last Saturday evening, but made arrangements to have piano music. The young ladies got wind of this, and, being unwilling to dance to the dull music of a piano when a violin could be had for ten piano when a violin could be had for ten cents apiece, they clubbed together, raised the required amount, and notified

wanted. The time for the dance to begin came. The piano was in position and the pianist on hand, the boys being unaware that the girls had played leap year upon them, when, to their consternation, in walked the much wished for musician and began to fiddle furiously. A more sheepish looking set of boys cannot be imagined. They looked from one to the other in dismay, and involuntarily clutched their day. The description is as follows:

General Washington is now in the forty-seventh year of his age. He is a tall, well-made man, rather large-boned, and has a tolerable genteel address; his features are manly and bold; his eyes of a bluish cast, and very lively; his hair deep brown; his face rather long and marked with small-pox; his complexion sunburnt, and without much color; his countenance sensible, complexity and involuntarily clutched their remaining five cent pieces, undecided whether to give up all or to throw them the mercy of the fiddler, but finally deposited their cash balance in the hands of a deputy, with instructions to pay the bill or perish in the attempt, when they were informed that the young ladies had done that part for them, and every lively; his countenance sensible, coma sickly smile, they crooked their elbows to the waiting damsels and walked on the floor, inwardly resolved that they

Startling Incident and a Startled BOOK AND JOB PRINTING

From the Knoxville Press and Herald, February 28.] Mr. Joe Patty, of Morristown, who is a fireman on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad, narrowly escaped being killed on Sunday night last.

The engine which he was firing was attached to the passenger train due at Dalton at 7:33 p.m. When within about one mile and a half of that village, he went forward to the front of that engine to oil the valves of the steam chest, and just as he reached the proper place, which is on the bumper, a heavy wooden beam extending across the front of the engine, and to which the pilot, or more familiarly known to the public the cow-catcher, is attached, the engine came in ontact with a cow. The force of the BILLS OF FARE, train threw the cow upon the beam on which young Patty was standing, with his back to the cow and his face front-ing the cab. The shock threw him eff his feet, but having a firm grasp upon a brace, he held on with the tenacity that a drowning man would to a straw, and succeeded in maintaining his firm grip until, with the use of his other hand, he regained his position. The cow, in the meantime, had fallen off to one side in the ditch, dead. Mr. Patty's right shoulder was badly bruised by being sons, he was by much the most proper man on this continent, and probably anywhere else, to be placed at the head of an American army. The very high the engine, and the palm of his right hand cut entirely across. It will be some time before he is able for duty but he is able to go about.

Curious Story About Mrs. Lincoln. From the Boston Herald.] A few days ago a paragraph in the Herald, based upon what was known to be good authority, announced that Mrs. Abraham Lincoln had recently visited Boston incognito, and closely vailed attended the seance of a well-known lady tended the seance of a well-known lady medium on Washington street, on which occasion the spirit of her lamented hus-band cappeared, and by unmistakable manifestations revealed the identity of Mrs. Lincoln, which she had attempted to keep secret. We have the best au-thority for saying that the report was in all respects accurate; that Mrs. Lincoln issited Roston on the 4th inst. that she the real presence of the spirit of her STEAMBOAT, POSTERS,

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